

2. A Prêtre's Amazon (*Chrysotis prætrii*), purchased July 23rd ; also new to the Collection.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of August were 117 ; of these 63 were acquired by presentation, 6 by purchase, 6 by birth, 1 by exchange, and 41 were received on deposit. The total number of departures during the same period by death and removals was 96.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of September were 84 ; of these 34 were acquired by presentation, 22 by purchase, 4 by exchange, 10 were bred in the Gardens, and 14 were received on deposit. The total number of departures during the same period by death and removals was 78.

Prof. F. Jeffrey Bell, F.Z.S., exhibited and made remarks on two specimens of *Virgularia mirabilis*, dredged up by the Hon. A. E. Gathorne Hardy, M.P., in Loch Craigrush ; also two young living specimens of *Palinurus vulgaris*, received from Mr. Spencer of Guernsey, and a fresh specimen of *Galathea strigosa*, also received from Mr. Spencer. The mode of stridulating of the *Palinurus* was observable in the specimens.

Mr. J. H. Gurney, jun., F.Z.S., exhibited a specimen of a hybrid Wagtail, between *Motacilla melanope* and *M. lugubris*, one of three bred some years ago in Mr. T. J. Monk's aviary at Lewes in Sussex (being the same as those mentioned in the 'Zoologist' for 1885, p. 24), and made some remarks on the probability of various Wagtails, closely allied, interbreeding in a wild state.

Mr. W. B. Tegetmeier, F.Z.S., exhibited and made remarks on some specimens illustrative of variations in the plumage of the Common Partridge (*Perdix cinerea*).

A communication was read from the Rev. Thomas R. R. Stebbing on *Urothoë*, a genus of Amphipodous Crustaceans, and on a new allied genus, proposed to be called *Urothoides*, of which *Urothoë lachneessa*, Stebbing, was the type.

This Memoir will be printed in the Society's 'Transactions.'

The following papers were read :—

1. List of Birds collected by Mr. Ramage in St. Lucia, West Indies. By P. L. SCLATER, M.A., Ph.D., F.R.S., Secretary to the Society.

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The series of birds collected in St. Lucia by Mr. George A. Ramage, the naturalist employed by the joint Committee of the Royal Society and the British Association for the investigation of

the fauna and flora of the Lesser Antilles, consists of 96 specimens, which I refer to the following species¹:—

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| 1. <i>Cichlherminia sanctæ-luciæ</i> , <i>ScL.</i> | 16. <i>Quiscalus inflexirostris</i> , <i>Sw.</i> |
| 2. <i>Margarops densirostris</i> (<i>Vieill.</i>). | 17. <i>Elainea martinica</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |
| 3. ——— <i>montanus</i> (<i>Lafr.</i>). | 18. <i>Contopus latirostris</i> (<i>Verr.</i>). |
| 4. <i>Rhamphocinclus brachyurus</i>
(<i>Vieill.</i>). | 19. <i>Myiarchus tyrannulus</i> (<i>Bodd.</i>). |
| 5. <i>Cinlocerthia macrorhyncha</i> , <i>ScL.</i> | 20. <i>Eulampis jugularis</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |
| 6. <i>Myiadestes sanctæ-luciæ</i> , <i>Stejn.</i> | 21. ——— <i>holosericens</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |
| 7. <i>Thryothorus mesoleucus</i> , <i>ScL.</i> | 22. <i>Bellona cristata</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |
| 8. <i>Dendrœca delicata</i> , <i>Sharpe.</i> | 23. <i>Crotophaga ani</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |
| 9. <i>Leucopeza semperi</i> , <i>ScL.</i> | 24. <i>Coccyzus minor</i> (<i>Gm.</i>). |
| 10. <i>Setophaga ruticilla</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). | 25. <i>Buteo pennsylvanicus</i> (<i>Wils.</i>). |
| 11. <i>Certhiola martinicana</i> , <i>Reichenb.</i> | 26. <i>Falco caribbæarum</i> , <i>Gm.</i> |
| 12. <i>Euphonia flavifrons</i> (<i>Sparrm.</i>). | 27. <i>Columba corensis</i> , <i>Gm.</i> |
| *13. <i>Loxigilla noctis</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). | 28. <i>Chamaepelia passerina</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |
| 14. <i>Phonipara bicolor</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). | 29. <i>Geotrygon montana</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |
| 15. <i>Icterus laudabilis</i> , <i>ScL.</i> | 30. <i>Nyctiardea violacea</i> (<i>Linn.</i>). |

The birds of St. Lucia are principally known from the collections and researches of our Corresponding Member the Rev. J. E. Semper, as recorded in our 'Proceedings'². Mr. Ramage's collection makes no additions to the list, but supplies an acceptable contribution to the series of West-Indian specimens in the National Collection, where they will be deposited.

The species at present known as absolutely restricted to St. Lucia seem to be nine in number. These are:—

- Cichlherminia sanctæ-luciæ*, *ScL.*
Cinlocerthia macrorhyncha, *ScL.*
Myiadestes sanctæ-luciæ, *Stejn.*
Thryothorus mesoleucus, *ScL.*
Dendrœca delicata, *Sharpe.*
Leucopeza semperi, *ScL.*
Icterus laudabilis, *ScL.*
Contopus latirostris (*Verr.*).
Chrysotis versicolor (*Müll.*).

Mr. Allen (*Bull. Nutt. Orn. Cl. v. p. 166*) has also separated the *Loxigilla noctis* of St. Lucia as a subspecies (*sclateri*), but the characters relied on do not seem to be constant.

Fresh comparisons should also be made of *Cichlherminia sanctæ-luciæ*, *Myiadestes sanctæ-luciæ*, and *Dendrœca delicata* with specimens from the adjoining islands, as the three species have not yet been very definitely characterized.

¹ For a list of Mr. Ramage's collection from Dominica, see *suprà*, p. 326.

² See *P. Z. S.* 1871, p. 263, 1872, p. 647, and 1876, p. 14.